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Dear Bill:

I finally did receive your kind letter of June 24, although I believe it must have been held up in the mail for about ten days. The postal service is not one of the bright spots in our governmental operations.

The ceremony surrounding the signing of the Intelligence Identities Protection Act must have been a thrilling one and certainly satisfying to people like you who worked so hard on it. I am pleased that I played at least a small role in getting this accomplished; although, it was such a small part in passing along your recommendations to Bill Clark and urging him to get the President behind the legislation. It all worked out great and we can all be happy with the results.

I had the pleasure of having breakfast last Friday with   <sup>STAT</sup> I understand that you had worked with him on this Act and he was most gracious in acknowledging, in front of the whole group that attended, my part in helping get this passed. He seems to be a really find person and I was pleased to have had an opportunity to make his acquaintance.

I hope that similar action can soon be seen in the Freedoms of Information Act so that we can close down the ready access that our foreign enemies have to critical information in this country.

I did enjoy reading the President's remarks and thank you again for sending this and for all that you are doing in many areas. It was certainly encouraging to read in the paper that the President had no intention of signing the Law of the Sea Treaty.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

President

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